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M. OSSIPOFF'S CONCERT.

M. Eugene Ossipoff, the eminent Russian pianist, gave his second concert in Hongkong on Saturday evening before a very small audience. One of the smallest audiences in the City Hall had been engaged, but it was only half full. This could not have been due to lack of appreciation, for those who listened to M. Ossipoff upon his first visit to the Colony a short time since formed a very favourable impression of his singings; but Hongkong has lately had almost a surfeit of entertainment, through of different character; and on Saturday evening there were counter attractions. M. Ossipoff's art really belongs more to the operatic stage than the concert platform. His style is intensely emotional and dramatic and his voice, a pure baritone of wide range, is one of great power. The majority of his contributions to Saturday evening's programme were of the nature of recitatives, but while these served to show his artistic method and fine finish the volume of sound produced was too great to be heard really effectively in the confined space of the concert room. On this account, and for the reason that they were in English, M. Ossipoff was heard to better advantage in his songs, of which J. Sorjant's "Blow thou Winter wind" and the Toreador's song from "Carmen" were most successful. Among the artists who assisted Mr. Emil Danenberg stood out prominently. By his interpretation of Liszt's beautiful melody, "The dream of Love," he proved himself to be a pianist of much more than ordinary ability, and his rendering of Greig's "March of the dwarfs" was characterised by equal understanding and artistic finish. Mrs. W. Gask and Mr. George Lamport also contributed. Mrs. F. J. Hunter and Mr. S. H. Dodwell (flute) who were announced to take part were unable to do so; the former on account of indisposition and the latter on account of the pitch his instrument and that of the pianoforte not being in agreement.

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that was poked out. With reference to the position of the Church, the late Government undoubtedly carried measures to an extreme point. Therein they erred; for there is more likely to be found folly than wisdom in extremes. Doubtless to the majority of the Portuguese people the Church had become obnoxious, if for no other reason than that it savoured too much of the bad old non-progressive days; for it must not be forgotten that your Republican prides himself on his ideas of progress—material progress—being inclined alas! to scoff at the progress or non-progress of his immortal welfare.

And now the Conservatives are about to have the reins of Government in their hands, with Senhor Almeida at their head. The principal policy of the new Administration will deal with financial retrenchment—in what direction it is not yet specifically stated. They will also revise the law of the separation of Church and State and the more liberal treatment of political prisoners.

It will thus be seen that the Conservatives intend to remedy what they apparently consider are the defects of the Liberal Party. It seems, at first sight, rather an anomalous condition of affairs that causes the first and the last of these proposals to be taken out of the hands of the Liberals by the Conservatives, but a little reflection on the great upheaval of three years ago will clearly explain the anomaly.

No matter what political party may be in power, it seems clear that the Republican form of Government is securely established in Portugal; and therefore what should be the steadfast aim of all lovers of that ancient civilization should be the propagation of an equitable and enlightened policy for the good of the country as a whole.

THE PANAMA CANAL.

There will be, we feel sure, universal appreciation, in which Americans and Britons will cordially join, in the announcement just made by President Taft that the United States is willing to submit the Panama Canal tolls dispute with Great Britain to the Arbitration Court at The Hague.

This is a very satisfactory, sane and sound conclusion on the part of our American friends, to whom more than to any other nation the noble principle of Arbitration owes its recognition and advancement. The question in dispute is one, eminently suited for arbitration, and the judgment that will be given is undoubtedly the best way of arriving at a settlement of the points in dispute. As to those points, it is unnecessary meantime to refer to them here. They were fully referred to at the time President Taft started the "civilized world by the course he suggested regarding the payment of tolls by the shipping concerns of foreign countries. Great Britain immediately protested, basing her protest on the Hay-Pauncefote Treaty, the terms of which, Sir Edward Grey was of opinion, would be infringed by President Taft's suggestions. The President, with the support of the United States Senate, evidently considered that the enormous expenditure and the other sacrifices made by the United States justified a course which practically meant that the Treaty obligations would be ignored. To the indignation of this course aroused, the President and his supporters were, at the time, apparently absolutely indifferent. Consequently, the President's latest decision will be, as we have said, received with universal approval, as unquestionably it is the best course to adopt, particularly as Great Britain in no way modified her original claims. The dispute might easily have led to regrettable ill-feeling between two countries, which by language, by traditions and similarity of institutions are closely akin to each other.

All lovers of justice and equity will rejoice that the stumbling block has been removed, and will await with equanimity the judgment of the Hague Arbitration Court, assured that in this way the true interests of the disputants will be best considered.

At the Magistrate's today—four men were charged with being in possession of false coins and a plot for making counterfeit coins at 121 Queen's Road West. Mr. Davidson defended the men, and the case was remanded until Monday.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Melbourne fined a man \$10 or 14 days at the Magistrate's today for being in unlawful possession of coal.

To-night, Mr. Allan Wilkie's talented Company open a brief season at the Theatre Royal with "A Bunch of Violets."

The total output of the Kaiian Mining Administration's mines for the week ending December 21, amounted to 33,416.30 tons and the sales during the period, to 33,529.50 tons.

The Dunottar Castle leaves for England to-day. During the stay of the vessel at Hongkong Mrs. Archibald Little, with several of her travelling companions, paid a visit to the University.

A bluejacket from H.M.S. Virago named Sydney Pitcher on a charge of stealing a gold washed bangle value \$4 at 230 Queen's Road Central. He pleaded not guilty.

The Court Cards and their Joker left by the s.s. Anhuai on Saturday. Those who had the pleasure of attending their clever entertainments will be pleased to hear that they will pay Hongkong another visit in March.

A disastrous fire resulting in more than 470 houses being destroyed and about twenty-six persons being more or less severely injured, is reported to have occurred at Marau, Hokkaido, on the evening of the 20th ult.

The evidence in the case in which a man is charged with murdering an ex-Jemadar of police at Pokfulam will be heard by Mr. Hazelland at the Magistrate's on Jan. 10th. The Crown Solicitor will prosecute and Mr. Faithful is appearing for the defence.

A boy aged 14 was charged with hawking without a licence before Mr. Melbourne this morning. The boy's mother said that the magistrate once employed her husband as a coolie. Mr. Melbourne said "Was that when I was ill?" He ordered the lad six strokes of the birch.

On Saturday H.M.S. Hardy and torpedo boat 035 sailed for West River. On the same day torpedo boats 035 and 037 arrived at Hongkong. On Sunday the Portuguese gunboat Patria sailed from Hongkong. To-day the U.S.S. Caliao and the Portuguese cruiser Atlantamar left the harbour.

A Chinese was charged to-day before Mr. Melbourne with stabbing another man. The complainant, whose face was bandaged, and whose clothes were bloodstained, said the trouble arose over some money that he owed the defendant. Defendant's excuse was that the knife was only a small one. A fine of \$25 or one month was imposed, and \$3 compensation.

Three men were charged before Mr. Hazelland to-day with being in unlawful possession of opium. They were arrested at Messrs. Sasson's premises in Zetland St. The case was remanded until Monday next, bail being fixed at \$1,000 in the case of the first defendant, and \$500 in respect of the other two. Mr. C. F. Mason, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, and Mr. Hind, of Messrs. Brutton and Hett, are defending the men.

A man was charged before Mr. Melbourne this morning with being in unlawful possession of a large quantity of ammunition. Mr. W. B. Hind, who defended, said that the case of ammunition was consigned to a foki of the defendant's who had now absconded. Sergeant Watt, however, said the defendant told him that the goods belonged to his father. Defendant admitted a previous conviction for a similar offence when interrogated by Mr. Melbourne. He was fined \$50.

Their Lordships Sir Haviland de Saumarez, Sir W. Rees Davies and Mr. Justice Gompertz continued the hearing in the Full Court of Appeal this morning of the case in which the parties are members of the Li Family, and the appeal against a judgment of the Chief Justice involving a sum of some \$25,000. Mr. D. McNeill, who is representing one of the appellants with Mr. C. G. Alabaster concluded that part of his address bearing upon the judgment, and proceeded to address the Court upon the facts of the case.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Bishop and Mrs. Murray were passengers for Shanghai on the P. and O. s.s. India.

Sir Charles Elliott returned yesterday from Amoy after a visit to the Northern and Coast Ports.

Among the departures on Saturday were Mr. J. Oldrup and Mr. A. C. Holbrow, of Hongkong, for Shanghai.

The Bishop of Victoria will speak at the first meeting of the Week of Prayer at St. Paul's College this afternoon at 5.30 o'clock. Major Wenborn will preside.

The marriage took place very quietly at St. John's Cathedral on Saturday of Mr. A. R. Lowe, principal of the firm of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, accountants, and Miss Cecil Gough Evans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. de T. Evans, of Shanghai, who were present at the ceremony. The Rev. H. Copley Moyle, chaplain, officiated. Mr. and Mrs. Lowe are spending their honeymoon at Taipo.

DOG'S HOME SCANDAL.

MR. HICKLING'S EXPLANATION.

Not Responsible for Management.

As the name of the Rev. C. Hickling has been used so prominently in connection with the disclosures made during the week-end respecting the mismanagement of the Dog's Home, a representative of the "China Mail" called upon him this morning and invited him to make a statement upon the matter. Mr. Hickling readily consented and his frank statement, while not in any way excusing the state of affairs found by those who visited the Home on Saturday morning in any better light, certainly seems to shift the responsibility from his shoulders.

Mr. Hickling pointed out that for many years it had been the practice of the police to shoot stray dogs straight away, and it was felt by many that they were doing more humane treatment. From the commencement he was importuned to assist in the establishment of a Home, and while his sympathies were with the movement, he was reluctant, on account of the amount of work he already had to do, to undertake further duties. Under the circumstances, however, he consented to do so in the preliminary stages upon his distinct understanding that he had the responsibility for management. The statement that he was the person responsible to the Government for the Home after the first preliminary H.E. after the Governor asked him to allow his name to stand as the medium of communication between the Government and the Home's management. He consented and invited donations towards the erection of the two homes in succession. He did his best to see that the buildings were constructed properly and economically, but in his letters of appeal and acknowledgment declared persistently that he would not be responsible for the management of the Home. Mr. Hickling emphasized this point by stating that after the Home was built he reverted to the position of an ordinary donor or subscriber except that he continued to act as corresponding medium between H.E., the Governor and Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., the landlords, and the Home.

That there was some truth in the statement that dogs were kept in the Home in a badly diseased state Mr. Hickling did not deny. Some weeks ago he was told that dogs which ought to be destroyed were retained there, and he at once communicated with the hon. superintendent, who replied to the effect that certain dogs whose recovery had been pronounced hopeless had been cured by his treatment, and that the rest had been isolated and he was doing his best to heal them. Apparently Mr. Hickling was not satisfied with this explanation, for he again wrote urging the destruction of some of the dogs. Mr. Tata replied that he would prefer to resign, but at Mr. Hickling's request he consented to occupy the position until a meeting could be called with the object of appointing a committee of management. This meeting was fixed for next week, and will duly take place.

That dogs have undergone unnecessary suffering at the Home cannot be denied, and Mr. Hickling did not deny it, but he expressed the opinion that the superintendent had done what he believed to be best, if he had acted mistakenly. In other words he has caused suffering by his over-zealous desire to be humane. The idea that dogs had been insufficiently fed, he did not credit. But that the statement regarding under feeding is untrue Mr. Hickling is not, in a position to say, for on his own statement that he has not visited the Home in the last month or two.

Some light was shed upon the cause of the disease among the animals by Mr. Hickling's statement that a month or two ago among the stray dogs taken in was one affected by mange, and before it was noticed the other dogs were infected. The healthy dogs were isolated and some of the others cured and sold. Those that did not respond to treatment should have been destroyed long before they got into the condition in which they were found on Saturday by the Hon. Mr. Hewart and Mr. Gedge, is obvious to any right-minded person.

Mr. Hickling regretted the innumerable of one of our contemporaries concerning the mismanagement of the Home, and said "Certainly" that he pointed out that the Government made this stipulation before giving the Home their support, and that the books should be open to them and to the public at all times.

Now that public interest has been aroused steps will doubtless be taken at the meeting next week to put the management of the Home upon a proper basis. If this had been done earlier there would probably have been no cause for complaint. What is needed is a strong committee of workers. Mr. Hickling told our representative in putting that there are many who are prepared to criticize but not to help.

Mr. Tata's Views.

Mr. P. K. Tata, upon whom our representative called this afternoon, bore out Mr. Hickling's statement regarding the responsibility for the management of the Home. Mr. Tata said as honorary superintendent it was solely in his charge, and he had visited it three times a week—on Sundays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The dogs were looked after by a coolie but recently the boy had been ill and the duty of looking after the animals and feeding them had been undertaken by a relative. This arrangement proving

unsatisfactory a new coolie was engaged, and commenced his duties on the very day that Mr. Hewart and other gentlemen visited the Home. Mr. Tata repudiated the statement that the dogs had not sufficient food. He contrasted with a coolie to purchase all their scraps and these, with other food, including meat, were fetched daily from his house by the coolie in charge. At the time of the visit last Saturday the dogs had just finished their meal, and the apple peel and potato skins seen by the visitors were the remains of the food. They should not have been given to the dogs at all, but the coolie, being new to his work, did not know this. When the visitors arrived, Mr. Tata said, his brother, who frequently visited the Home, was there, and when the peel was pointed out to him and commented upon he showed the visitors some meat which the animals had left uneaten.

Mr. Tata admitted that the condition of some of the dogs was very bad, and that since healthy dogs had been infected through the coolie carelessly allowing many ones to stray from their isolated quarters. As had been stated it was contrary to his religious principle to do away life unnecessarily, but quite apart from this he believed that the dogs would respond to his treatment, as in several instances a cure had already been effected. He was of this opinion when Mr. Hickling urged that some of the dogs should be destroyed and told him so as Mr. Hickling stated.

Mr. Tata disputed that the gentlemen who visited the Home last week had any right to order the destruction of any of the animals, and regarding the future said he would certainly sever his connection with the Home, which had been of quite a voluntary nature.

We hope to publish a communication from Mr. Tata upon the subject tomorrow.

THE LI FAMILY CASE.

Death Of The Plaintiff.

News by cable has just been received of the death of Li Tso Shi at Patsan yesterday. The agents in the important case, in which the deceased lady was plaintiff, are meeting to-night to consider what alteration, if any, will take place in consequence of this unexpected event.

THE CHEUNG CHAU PIKACY.

Further Evidence.

The hearing of evidence in the Cheung Chau piracy case in connection with which two women and a man are charged, was resumed by Mr. Hazelland at the Magistrate's this afternoon.

Mr. P. M. Hodgson, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted.

The coxswain of the steam launch Hoi Yun, trading between Hongkong and Cheung Chau, said he was lying at anchor at Cheung Chau on the night in question. He was awakened at 10 p.m. by six or seven men who came and pointed fire arms at him and told him to go to the steam launch Li Tak, which was lying alongside. Witness became frightened and went, as he was threatened. He was kept in the engine room for five hours. An engineer belonging to the Li Tak was also there, and he was similarly threatened. The robbers made the second engineer of the Li Tak start the engines. During the time that witness was confined in the engine room, the launch had been steaming all the time. The engines were stopped at five o'clock in the morning by the second engineer at the request of the pirates. About an hour afterwards witness came up on deck. He did not come up before as they threatened to shoot him. The robbers had all gone then. All the men on the launch, as well as witness, were ordered to leave the launch at the time that witness went.

Corroborative evidence was given by the cook of the Hoi Yun, who said that about half an hour after the launch Li Tak had started, he was told by the robbers to cook some "congee" for them. The Li Tak stopped outside Cheung Chau harbour, and they took in tow a junk belonging to the pirates. Witness was made to assist in fastening the tow-ropes, and was then sent back into the hold. When he came up again the robbers had left. He identified both the junk and the tow ropes.

The case was remanded until tomorrow.

The s.s. O. S. K. steamer "Chicago" Maru which left Hongkong on Nov. 28th, last, was delivered in New York on Jan. 2nd.

Crucially to a dog in a very inhuman way was related in a case at the Magistrate's today. Two men were seen by Sanitary Inspector Taylor from his verandah in the compound of the Kwong Wa Hospital at Yau-mai. They had a rope tied round the neck of a puppy and they swung it round until it lay on the ground. The animal lay on its back, and its half-strangled condition. The men were fined \$2 each.

An innovation is to be made on Saturday evening next, says the Y.M.C.A. Bulletin, when a conference of members will be held for the purpose of co-ordinating the affairs of the Association and conferring together upon ways and means by which the Association may become increasingly useful to the young men of this Colony. The idea is projected by a group of kindly interested members who are generously acting as hosts for this occasion. The Chairman of the different committees representing activities will be invited to present the plans and policies for their different departments after which there will be a frank constructive discussion which should contribute much in the way of new suggestion and ideas that will, we hope, result in bringing the Association nearer the accomplishment of the purposes for which it exists—the development of Christian Manhood.

SPORTING.

Cricket.

Kowloon C.C. v. C.S.C.C. B. Played at Kowloon on Saturday.

Scores:—
CIVIL SERVICE.
J. Teechi, b Goldsmith ... 5
J. McKay, b Raven ... 27
H. Ellis, b Wolf ... 0
C. Sam, b Goldsmith ... 14
A. Foster, b Wolf ... 21
C. Ellis, not out ... 18
C. J. Higginbotham, run out ... 12
E. J. Edwards, c and b Curwen ... 12
K. W. Dawson, c Elson, b Wolf ... 0
A. Bradbury, b Wolf ... 1
J. Spittles, stp. Jewell, b Wolf ... 1
Extras ... 9

Total ... 102
KOWLOON.
N. T. Raitton, c Dawson, b Teechi ... 33
A. R. F. Raven, C. Dawson, b Foster ... 8
L. M. Whyte, retired ... 37
F. Jewell, c Teechi, b Bradbury ... 0
F. Hunter, not out ... 10
N. Croucher, c Wolf, W. Curwen, W. T. Elson, H. Overy, H. E. Goldsmith did not bat ... 15
Extras ... 10

Total (for 3 wickets) ... 123

POLICE RECREATION CLUB v. D.S.O.B.

A friendly match was played on Saturday on the Police ground, which resulted in a win for the Police. Scores:—

D.S.O.B. A.
Chan Wing To, b Kerr ... 4
Wm. Hall, b Grimmer ... 0
G. Lee, c McLennan, b Kerr ... 0
Wm. Wong, b Grimmer ... 4
A. Melbye, b Grimmer ... 4
P. C. Roberts, b Kerr ... 10
S. Jax, run out ... 5
A. Gifford, b Kerr ... 0
W. Edwards, b Kerr ... 0
R. A. Anderson, not out ... 12
H. Gitting, c Woodcock, b Grimmer ... 5
Extras ... 4

Total ... 44

POLICE RECREATION CLUB.

McLennan, b Wong ... 16
Prestand, c Chan, b Wong ... 25
Grimmett, b Wong ... 3
Kelly, c Robert, b Chan ... 3
Pitt, b Chan ... 4
Woodcock, b Chan ... 1
Kerr, b Chan ... 0
Crickshaw, b Wong ... 10
King, not out ... 4
Cotton and Cockle, did not bat ... 2
Extras ... 2

Total (for 8 wickets) ... 68

CHALLENGER v. ARMY STAFF.

This League Match was played at Happy Valley on Saturday, and resulted in a win for Challenger.

CHALLENGER.

W. H. Vivash, b Foster Pegg ... 3
E. L. Bragg, b Robertson ... 48
R. A. Carville, run out ... 2
R. Pestonji, b Davis ... 0
J. V. Bragg, b Davis ... 0
G. A. Hancock, b Davis ... 62
Dr. F. H. Kew, b Foster Pegg ... 0
L. A. Rose, not out ... 19
A. H. Taylor, b Robertson ... 0
Extras ... 13

Total (for 8 wickets) ... 149

R. BARRA AND W. E. ROSE did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Foster Pegg ... 15 ... 4 ... 57 ... 2
Davis ... 10 ... 1 ... 54 ... 0
Kirby ... 10 ... 2 ... 51 ... 0
Robertson ... 5 ... 1 ... 10 ... 2

ARMY STAFF.

Capt. Robertson, b Pestonji ... 43
Major Bowen, b Pestonji ... 8
Q.M.S. Davis, b Pestonji ... 14
Sgt. Worswick, b Pestonji ... 2
Rev. Foster Pegg, b Pestonji ... 18
L.-Cpl. Hill, b Pestonji ... 0
S.-Sgt. Kirby, b.w., b Taylor ... 0
L.-Sgt. Saunders, b Pestonji ... 0
L. Shipton, b Taylor ... 1
S.-Sgt. Moore, not out ... 0
Mr. Tucker, b Pestonji ... 0
Extras ... 12

Total ... 107

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Pestonji ... 11 ... 1 ... 20 ... 8
Taylor ... 6 ... 2 ... 41 ... 2
J. V. Bragg ... 5 ... 0 ... 25 ... 0

The Yorkshire Sports.

The 1st Battalion R.O.Y.L.I. held their Annual Sports on the Naval Base Recreation Ground on Saturday afternoon. Brilliant weather prevailed, and an exceptionally large crowd were present. All the events were contested in a sporting manner. Both the Officers and the Non-Commissioned Officers' enclosures were crowded and everything was done by the various Committees to ensure the comfort of the guests. All the events were conducted without a hitch, which said much for the arrangements. The Regimental "cloves" contributed largely to the amusement of the spectators, the children, especially, enjoying the antics and tricks displayed.

The Band, under Mr. F. G. Moss, rendered a splendid programme, which added considerably to the pleasure of the afternoon.

At the conclusion of the sports, the Regimental trophies were during the year and the prizes for the sports were presented by Lieut. Colonel A. G. Marriale, the Commanding Officer.

Following is a list of the results:—
Hurdles—1, Bugler Dewick; 2, Pte. Vickers; 3, Pte. Cookson.
Putting the Shot—1, Pte. Cookson; 2, Sgt. Bedford.
100 yards—1, Cpl. Light; 2, Lance-Cpl. Barnes; 3, Pte. Vickers.
Long Jump—1, Bugler Dewick; 2, Pte. Arnold; 3, Cpl. Light.
Three Legged Race—1, Lance-Cpl. Cobb and Lance-Cpl. Barnes.
High Jump—1, Bugler Dewick; 2, Pte. Jones.

Obstacle Race—1, Lance-Cpl. Wood; 2, R.A.M.C.; 3, Gunner Ward, R.O.A.
Half Mile—1, Pte. Richardson; 2, Pte. Arnold; 3, Pte. Dunkley.
Sgt. Race—1, Lance-Cpl. Alp; 2, Sgt. Bedford.
Tag of War, Catch Weight—1, Cpl. Light; 2, Pte. Vickers; 3, Pte. Cookson.
Quarter Mile—1, Lance-Cpl. Barnes; 2, Cpl. Light; 3, Pte. Vickers; 4, Lance-Cpl. Cobb.
Pole Race—1, E. G. Pte. Dunkley; 2, Pte. Vickers; 3, Lance-Cpl. Barnes; 4, Cpl. Light.
Regimental Miles—1, Lance-Cpl. Richardson; 2, Pte. Vickers; 3, Pte. Lambert.
Obstacle Race—1, Pte. Miller; 2, Pte. Pearson.
Native Troops Relay Race—1, 25th Punjab; 2, 22nd Punjab; 3, 2nd Punjab.
220 yards—1, Pte. Barnes; 2, Cpl. Light; 3, Pte. Vickers.
End of War, Light Weight—1, "G" Coy.; 2, "E" Co.

BY TELEGRAPH.

[Reuter's Service to the China Mail.]

THE WAR.

NAVAL ENGAGEMENTS.

LONDON, Jan. 5.
Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople states that the Turkish fleet sailed on Saturday morning under formal orders to open a decisive engagement with the Greeks. The battle began at Tenedos.

A message from Athens states that the Turkish cruiser *Medjidieh*, the battleship *Hemidieh* (which was recently torpedoed in the Black Sea), and six destroyers left the Dardanelles on Saturday morning. The two former engaged the Greek destroyers at Tenedos, but all withdrew to the Dardanelles on the approach of the Greek fleet.

GERMAN FOREIGN SECRETARYSHIP.

LONDON, January 5.
A message from Berlin states that Herr Kiderlin von Wachter's successor has not yet been appointed. It is stated that Herr Jagow, the Ambassador to Rome, will be appointed, Herr Zimmermann having declined.

MILLIONAIRE AS WITNESS.

LONDON, Jan. 5.
Mr. Rockefeller's attorney has agreed to accept subpoena on behalf of Mr. Rockefeller, who was reported a few days ago as being besieged at his mansion in Fifth Avenue by a host of detectives armed with subpoenas demanding him to give evidence in the Money Trust investigation.

INDIA AND OPIUM.

SERIOUS STATE OF AFFAIRS.

LONDON, Jan. 5.
Sir Fleetwood Wilson, the Finance Member of the Viceroy's Council, interviewed the opium merchants and banks of Bombay a fortnight ago, making the fullest inquiries; and it is understood that the present action is taken after most anxious deliberation between the India Office and the Government of India. This action will entail heavy but unavoidable loss to the Indian revenue possibly amounting to millions sterling, but it becomes obvious when the magnitude of the undelivered stocks in China is considered. It is an open secret that the situation is becoming serious to Bombay merchants and banks.

TARIFF REFORM QUESTION.

THE FOOD-TAXERS.

LONDON, Jan. 5.
The *Daily Graphic* declares that there are 17 food-taxers in the House of Commons, viz.—Mr. Chamberlain, Mr. Wyndham, Mr. Henry Chaplin, Mr. Jesse Collins, Professor Hewins, Mr. L. S. Amery, Sir Gilbert Parker, Mr. H. Page Croft, Mr. D. Steel-Maitland, Mr. A. H. H. Hill, Sir George Doughty, Mr. Rowland Atter, Major Archer-Shee, Mr. E. Parkes, Mr. F. A. Goulding, and Mr. Locke.

MR BONAR LAW'S POSITION

The *Liverpool Courier* says that a conference of the Lancashire Unionists on Friday urged the exclusion of the food taxes from the Unionist programme. It was plainly indicated that if the conference of the Lancashire and Cheshire Unionists to be held on Saturday passed a hostile resolution then Mr Bonar Law would seriously consider the question of resignation.

A HOME RULE BY-ELECTION.

LONDON, Jan. 5.
The Duke of Abercorn's death creates a vacancy in the representation of Londonderry. There will be a keen contest, as, if the Nationalists recapture the seat, they will have a majority in Ulster.

Lieutenant-Colonel Polkenham, commanding the Royal Irish Rifles, will be the Unionist candidate for Londonderry, and the Nationalist nominee will be Mr. Shane Leslie, a cousin of Mr. Churchill. Possibly Mr. Marshall Tiliak, a Deputy Lieutenant for the County of Londonderry, will be the Independent Unionist candidate.

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THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

LITTLE PROGRESS BEING MADE.

LONDON, Jan. 5.
The Balkan Delegates officially informed Reuter that unless the Turks on Monday comply with all the demands in the ultimatum of the Allies, they would immediately break off the negotiations for four days, after which, in accordance with the terms of the armistice, hostilities would be resumed along the line. Any Turkish suggestion to refer the matter to the Powers would be regarded as a question for Turkey herself, with which the Allies would have nothing to do.

TURKISH TROUVERSAISON.

A further meeting of the Ambassadors was held on Friday afternoon, at the Foreign Office, at which some of the Peace Delegates attended. Afterwards Raschid Pasha, at the last moment, asked the President of Saturday's Conference to postpone the Conference till Monday, as he had not received instructions from Constantinople.

BULGARIA'S HOPE.

A telegram from Sofia says that King Ferdinand, replying to an address from the Sobranje, said that he still hoped for a definite understanding as the result of the negotiations, adding:—"But should the inscrutable Divine Will decree otherwise, we shall not hesitate to again resort to arms and exert from the enemy satisfaction corresponding to our sacrifices."

POWERS LIKELY TO INTERVENE.

Reuter states that well-informed circles believe that the war will not be resumed. It is felt that the Powers must and will intervene.

The London papers are of opinion that the Powers will be bound to intervene if the Conference ends in a rupture.

FRESH INSTRUCTIONS FROM CONSTANTINOPLE.

Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople wires that after a two hours sitting of the Cabinet Council fresh instructions were sent to the Delegates in London. It is understood that they have been ordered to reject the ultimatum.

The Turkish Delegates are absolutely determined not to yield Adrianople or the Aegean Islands, come what may.

BULGARIA AND ROUMANIA.

Dr. Danell, interviewed by Reuter, stated that the relations between Bulgaria and Roumania were of the best, and he had no reason to suppose that any question regarding the rectification of the frontier would not be satisfactorily settled at the end of the war.

A telegram from Constantinople states that the fleet sailed yesterday morning with formal orders and engaged in a decisive conflict with the Greeks. The battle began at Tenedos.

A telegram from Belgrade states that an official paper publishes a vehement protest against the notes lately being manifested with reference to enlarging the question of autonomy for Albania at the expense of Serbia. The journal declares that the latter will not submit.

ALLIES PRESENT A THREE-FOLD ULTIMATUM.

Owing to the Turks again being without full instructions, the Peace Conference did not meet until six o'clock on Friday evening. The Allies presented a threefold ultimatum dealing with Adrianople, Crete and the Aegean Islands, and intimated that failing a clear and satisfactory reply on these matters by four o'clock on Monday, the negotiations would be broken off. The Turks suggested four o'clock tomorrow, and to this the Allies agreed. The Turkish reply is regarded as indicating that they feel that a rupture is inevitable.

THE BOUNDARY QUESTION

It was the Turkish response to the demand made by the Allies at the last meeting for definite proposals which

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CORRESPONDENCE.

IMPORTANT SIKH ANNIVERSARY.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail").

Sir—The Sikh Temple Committee of Hongkong will be highly grateful to you by your inserting the following few lines in your valuable paper of to-night's issue for the information of the general public of Hongkong.

The anniversary of the birth of the Guru Nanak Dev, the founder of the Sikh religion, will be celebrated by the Sikh community of Hongkong at the Sikh Temple, Happy Valley, on Friday, the 10th January, 1913, with great eclat.

There will be free food for the whole day through for everyone attending the temple.

By kind permission of the officer commanding the 24th Hazara Mountain Battery, the pipers band of this Battery will play at the Sikh Temple from 11 am. till 4 p.m.

Therefore the public is invited to witness the celebration, and the public and the hearts of the Government departments are hereby humbly requested to grant leave to all their Sikh employees on the 10th January, 1913, to enable them to attend the Sikh Temple for prayers and celebration of their historical day, and also the commanding officers of the Indian regiments in Hongkong, namely H.K.S.I.R.G. 24th Hazara Mountain Battery, 4th, 25th, 26th Punjab, and 125th Baluchis are hereby humbly requested to inform and grant leave to all their Sikh troops on the 10th January, 1913, to enable them to attend the Sikh Temple for prayers and to celebrate the birthday of their Saviour.

Yours, etc.,
JAGWAN SINGH,
Vice-President,
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MAKESVILLE, LONDON AND ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ AND PORT SAID.	AKI MARU, Capt. B. Kato, Tons 12,500	WEDNESDAY, 15th Jan., at Noon.
	MISHIMA MARU, Capt. A. E. Moore, Tons 16,000	WEDNESDAY, 20th Jan., at Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE, via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, OHI, & YOKOHAMA.	SADO MARU, Capt. A. Kato, Tons 12,500	TUESDAY, 14th Jan., at Noon.
	YOKOHAMA MARU, Capt. K. Noda, Tons 12,500	TUESDAY, 28th Jan., at Noon.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE AND BRISBANE.	YAWATA MARU, Capt. T. Sasaki, Tons 7,000	WEDNESDAY, 15th Jan., at Noon.
	NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, Tons 9,600	FRIDAY, 15th Feb., at Noon.
COLOMBO via SINGAPORE, PENANG, & RANGOON.	CEYLON MARU, Capt. T. Noda, Tons 12,000	SATURDAY, 11th Jan., at Noon.
ROBE & YOKOHAMA.	ATSUTA MARU, Capt. J. Noda, Tons 10,000	THURSDAY, 16th Jan., at 11 a.m.
YOKOHAMA.	TOSA MARU, Capt. T. Sato, Tons 8,000	FRIDAY, 10th Jan., at Noon.
BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, & COLOMBO.	RANGOON MARU, Capt. K. Noda, Tons 6,000	MONDAY, 20th Jan., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, MOJI AND YOKOHAMA.	SANUKI MARU, Capt. K. Noda, Tons 12,000	WEDNESDAY, 15th Jan., at Noon.
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Hongkong	Feb. 27	Feb. 27	Feb. 27	Manila	Feb. 23	Feb. 23	Feb. 23
Feb. 28	March 20	March 20	March 20	March 10	March 10	March 10	March 10
April 18	April 17	March 18	March 18	March 18	March 18	March 18	March 18
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Nippon Maru	A. G. STEVENS	Saturday, 11th Jan., at Noon.
TENYO MARU	E. BENT	FRIDAY, 17th JAN., at Noon.
SHINYO MARU	E. S. SMITH	TUESDAY, 11th FEB., at Noon.
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Steamer	Tons	Date of Sailing
Kiyo Maru	12,500	Saturday, 1st Feb., at Noon.
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PANAMA MARU	J. Kano	Tuesday, 7th Jan. at 2 p.m.
SEATTLE MARU	T. Saito	Thursday, 20th Jan. at 2 p.m.
MEXICO MARU	N. Kobayashi	Thursday, 6th Feb. at 2 p.m.
CHICAGO MARU	L. Goto	Thursday, 20th Feb. at 2 p.m.
CANADA MARU	K. Hori	Thursday, 6th Mar. at 2 p.m.
TACOMA MARU	T. Hamada	Saturday, 22nd Mar. at 2 p.m.

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For TAMU via SWATOW & AMOY.

Steamers	Captains	Leave
DANGI MARU	Y. Sonekawa	Sunday, 12th Jan., at 10 a.m.
DALIN MARU	T. Fuchigami	Sunday, 18th Jan., at 10 a.m.

For ANPING & TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.

Steamer	Captain	Leave
SOSEU MARU	K. Fuchita	Wednesday, 8th Jan., at 8 a.m.

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Steamer	Captain	Leave
SOSEU MARU	K. Fuchita	Friday, 3rd Jan., at 10 a.m.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
HAIPHONG	SINGAN	Jan. 7, at 9 a.m.
MANILA, CEBU & HOLO	TEAN	Jan. 7, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	CHENAN	Jan. 9, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	LEXAN	Jan. 11, Midnight.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, KOBE AND MOJI	FOOKSANG	WEDNESDAY, Jan. 8, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	HANGSANG	THURSDAY, Jan. 9, at Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	KUTSANG	SATURDAY, Jan. 11, at 2 p.m.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	SATURDAY, Jan. 11, at 2 p.m.
MANILA	YUENSANG	SATURDAY, Jan. 13, at 2 p.m.

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December 10, *Euphrate*.
December 13, *Bokenia, Poles, Sarfina, Lucmelen*.
December 17, *Bengoe, Japan, Scandia, Voreno*.
December 21, *Achilles, Antiochia, Alamo, Maru, J. M. M., St. Patrick, Shimon, Borneo, Prince*.
December 27, *Antenor, Australis, Olympos, Memon, Tydeu, City of Savaria*.
December 31, *Benadi, Bevenot, Hiranu, Maru, Lennar, Somali, Yedda*.
January 3, *Bayera, Belgaria, Kanagawa Maru, Princess Alice, Ville de la Chet, Princesse*.
ARRIVALS FROM CHINA.
January 3, *Egon, Senemphila, Sihanis, York*.
STEAMERS EXPECTED.
Main.
The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. *Persia* with the American Mail, left San Francisco for this port via Japan and Shanghai on Saturday, the 21st December, at 10 a.m.
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The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Montague* left Yokohama for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., on Sunday, the 22nd December, at midnight.
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The C. & Co.'s s.s. *Capri* left Singapore for this port on the 27th December, and may be expected here on or about the 4th January.
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The B. I. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Fullan* left Rangoon for Hongkong on the 22nd December, due Hongkong on the 7th January.
The I. C. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Laiwan* left Calcutta for Hongkong on the 27th December, due Hongkong on the 10th January.
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The E. & A. steamer *Eastern* from Sydney, left Port Darwin on the 27th December, for Manila and this port.
The Shire Line, Ltd.'s s.s. *Carmarthen* is due to arrive here from London on the 12th January.
The Ben Line s.s. *Benbow* from Antwerp, Middlebrook and London, left Singapore on the 28th December for this port.
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R. S. STEWART, J. J. J., D.A.A. & Q.M.G., S. China.
Hongkong, January 2, 1913.

LAURISTON.
THE DANCE COMMITTEE at Lauriston regret that the proposed dance at Lauriston has to be POSTPONED from the 18th instant until the 24th instant.
Hongkong, January 6, 1913.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CHALLENGE SHEET.
ENTRIES for the above COMPETITION will close on MONDAY, 13th inst.
A Meeting will be held at evening in the Y.M.C.A. Rooms at 5.30 to make all necessary arrangements.
Each team entered is invited to send a representative.
A. HAMILTON, Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, January 6, 1913.

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Barometer	30.25	30.23	30.17
Temperature	62	57	61
Humidity	48	68	50
Direction of Wind	NORTH	NW	W
Force	1	1	1
Weather	0	0	0
Rain	—	—	—

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ARRIVALS.
January 5.
Hankow, British steamer, 1,327, W. C. Poonmow, Amoy January 4, General—DOWLING STEAMSHIP CO., LD.
Pilsnolok, German steamer, 1,284, D. Reimers, Bangkok Dec. 24, Rice and General—MELCHERS & CO.
Lanshing, British steamer, 1,048, W. Mcaney, Weihaiwei December 31, General—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.
Daria Maru, Japanese str., 1,735, K. Kobayashi, Wakamatsu Dec. 31, Coal—M. R. G. K.
Koerber, Austrian str., 3,439, Gamara, Trieste and Singapore Dec. 30, General—SANDER, WILKE & CO.
Kutung, British str., 4,895, R. C. D. Bradley, Moji Jan. 1, General—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.
Chuen, British steamer, 1,350, W. Lloyd Jones, Shanghai Jan. 2, General—BENTLEY & SONS.
Cheongching, British str., from Canton.
Soku Kuru, Japanese str., from Canton.
Taishun, Chinese str., from Canton.
January 6.
Tain Maru No. 3, Japanese str., 2,335, M. Sakamoto, Port Arthur Dec. 30, Coal—O. S. K.
Kwang Tai, Chinese steamer, 1,530, C. Stewart, Shanghai Jan. 2, General—C. M. S. N. Co.
Wang, British str., 1,117, J. S. Smith, Wuhan and Chinkiang January 2, General—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.
Pangloss, German str., 997, W. Böttinger, Bangkok Dec. 25, Rice and Timber—REYNOLDS & SONS.
Suzara, British steamer, 2,933, W. R. Le Mar, R. S. K., Yokohama and Shanghai Jan. 3, General—P. & O. S. N. Co.

DEPARTURES.

January 5.
Hankow, for Singapore and New York.
Soku Kuru, for Canton.
Soku Kuru, for Nagasaki.
Rathen, for Amoy.
Daria Maru, for Swatow and Tamsui.
Johanna, for Hongkong.
Soku Kuru, for Hongkong.
Kutung, for Port Courbet.
Mexican Prince, for Palimbang.
Daria Maru, for Sumatra.
Kaga Maru, for Kobe and Yokohama.
Chipping, for Bangkok.
Patria, Portuguese cruiser, 730, for Macao.
January 6.
Koerber, for Shanghai and Odessa.
Demodocus, for Singapore and London.
Aviation, for Amoy.
Kwang Tai, for Swatow and Shanghai.
Chuen, for Canton.
Dunlop, for Singapore and Marseilles.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
Per *Hanching*, from Amoy, Sir Charles Elliott, K.C.M.G., Mr. Hinton, Mr. Meyer, Mr. Hayel, Miss Zebau.
Per *Hanching*, from Shanghai, &c. Mr. and Mrs. Tanner, Mr. Richardson and Mr. Page.
Per *Suzara*, from Yokohama, for Colombo, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Wilkie, Miss Craigie, Mr. J. H. Walker, Mr. J. H. Norrish, Mr. J. H. W. W. and Mrs. Dawson, Miss Chaudry, Miss Y. Crichon, Mr. S. Hicks, Mr. W. O'Brien, Mr. G. F. Weir, Mr. R. Barrington, Mr. P. Gordon, Mr. B. A. Dittar, Mr. A. Goodall, for London, Mrs. Melville, Miss Bond, from Shanghai, for Marseilles, Mr. Scholtes, for London, Mr. J. H. Wisner.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Hanching* from Amoy reports: Fresh N.E. wind and fine weather.
The German steamer *Pilsnolok* from Bangkok reports: Rough N.E. winds and gales with heavy sea to 21' North.
The British steamer *Kutung* from Moji reports: Fresh N.E. monsoon and fine, clear weather.
The British steamer *Hanching* reports: Shanghai to Swatow, moderate to fresh N.W. winds and sea, overcast and cloudy weather. Swatow to Hongkong, strong N.E. monsoon and sea, sky overcast with drizzling rain.

PASSENGERS EXPECTED.

Per *Astoria Maru*, from London: for Hongkong, &c., Mr. J. T. C. Johnson, Mr. Lloyd Bland, Mr. W. Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. Amarat and 2 children, Mr. R. A. Craig, Mr. and Mrs. Watson, Mr. W. Armstrong, Mr. J. A. Friedricks, Mrs. J. T. W. Brooke, Miss A. Brooke, Master T. Brooke, Mr. Duche, Rev. and Mrs. F. D. Camerwell, Mr. H. M. Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Whitaker, Mrs. Hagelstam, Mr. and Mrs. Horner and child, Col. Y. Hsiao, Mr. K. Luanishi, Mr. Y. Hord, Mr. T. Makise, Mr. S. Hibya, Mr. S. Katsimura, Mr. Y. Kawasaki, Mr. S. Okubo, Mr. Y. Matsuda, Mr. K. Katsuno, Mr. Schutte, Mr. Y. Yamamoto, Mr. K. Ogasawa, Miss T. Hagawa, Master G. Dickson, Mr. L. K. Ogasawa, Mr. S. Nikuta, K. Ogasawa, N. Suga.
Per P. and O. steamer *Sardinia*. Due Hongkong Jan. 6. From London Nov. 30, Mr. J. O'Ragan, Mr. G. Gipsom, Mr. A. Nobbs, Miss D. Humphries, Mr. E. Egge, Mr. O. Perdue, Mr. W. Cunwin, Mr. and Mrs. Clarke and family, Mr. L. Breck, Rev. P. Kline, Miss G. Pease, Miss M. and F. Sullivan, Mr. A. Grandy, Mr. and Mrs. J. Brenton and family, Eng. Lt. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Eager and child.
Per P. and O. steamer *Morru*, connecting with the steamer *Amoy* at Colombo. Due Hongkong Jan. 17. From London Dec. 13—Mr. and Mrs. Kuris, Mr. R. Saunders, Miss E. Nation, Rev. and Mrs. Star, Mrs. S. Nicholas, Misses M. and F. Small, Miss K. Timor, Miss Barret, Rev. and Mrs. A. Stewart, Mr. E. Stewart, Miss Wm. From Marseilles Dec. 20, Mr. F. Mosley.

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WHEN your child has whooping cough be careful to keep the cough loose and expectoration easy by giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as may be required. This remedy will also relieve the long trachea and make it easier to expectorate. It has been used successfully in many epidemics and is safe and sure. For sale by all Chemists and Dispensaries.

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 5th at 10.50 a.m.—The anticyclone has weakened. It is now central over the Yellow Sea and Korea.
Pressure has decreased slightly to moderately in all districts.
Light or variable winds are indicated along the E. coast of China, and fresh to moderate monsoon over the N. China Sea.
Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.
Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow.
1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: N.E. winds, moderate; fair.
2.—Formosa Channel: Northerly, gale moderating.

HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide table given below has been compiled at the Nautical Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1887-92.
The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the soundings in the Admiralty Charts which has been found to be 3 inches below mean sea level.
To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 5 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamou, Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 6 inches to the height given in the table.

January 7th to 13th, 1913.	
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